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836-800 William St. (West side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

1850-1880's

As originally built, all of the houses but one lining this side of the 800 block of William St. were three story in height with gable roofs, and all but 828 William St. are two bays wide. The exception is 806 William St. which is a two story plus attic brick house. The houses were built for a middle class market--men who had prospered in the local shipbuilding and glass-making trades and could afford a larger and more comfortable house than the two story plus attic type built for their working class neighbors. Many of the houses retain their original appearance but 828, 818, and 800 William St. now have shed roofs and bracketed cornices, added after the Civil War. 804 William St. is one of only two bow-fronted, Classical-Revival influenced brick and brownstone houses in the Federal Hill area, and seems to have replaced an earlier structure on the site. At 820 William St., at the south-west corner of William and Churchill Streets, is the currently vacant, Classical-Revival style church building of the South Baltimore Station of the Methodist Episcopal Church, built by church members in the early 1850's. The building is three stories in height with a high gable roof that runs parallel to Churchill St., the pedimented gable end fronting on William St. The facade is divided into three bays by two-story high brick piers that run from the high "rusticated" basement to the severe Classical pediment.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

834 William St.

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Baltimore

VICINITY OF

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

__DISTRICT

☒ BUILDING(S)

__STRUCTURE

__SITE

__OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

__PUBLIC

☒ PRIVATE

__BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

__IN PROCESS

__BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED

__UNOCCUPIED

__WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED

__YES: UNRESTRICTED

__NO

PRESENT USE

__AGRICULTURE

__MUSEUM

__COMMERCIAL

__PARK

__EDUCATIONAL

☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE

__ENTERTAINMENT

__RELIGIOUS

__GOVERNMENT

__SCIENTIFIC

__INDUSTRIAL

__TRANSPORTATION

__MILITARY

__OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE, zip code

VICINITY OF

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

__FEDERAL __STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION**CONDITION**

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This three story brick house with gable roof was built as part of a group of such houses extending along this side of William St. c. 1849-1850. It shares the same roof structure and cornice line as its neighbors 832 and 834 William St., but each house is a separate unit. There is a four bay deep, two story high addition at the rear of the house, which was built in common with an identical addition to the rear of 832 William St.

The house is a full three stories in height, 15' wide, and extends back on its lot about . It is constructed in running bond. The low-pitched gable roof has a double hooded rectangular chimney located along the southern side of the front gable. There is also a rear end chimney located at the north-west corner of the kitchen addition. A simple two-tiered brick cornice runs continuously across the facades of 830-834 William St.

The window openings on all floors have common arch lintels with scroll-sawed tympanum. The lintels on the first and second floors are composed of three rows of headers, those on the third floor of but one row of headers. The sills are formed by a row of headers. All of the window openings are filled with late 1/1 sash. The doorway has a round arched lintel, fitted with a single light transom the glass cut to fit the round arch. There is a late horizontally paneled door. The house sits on a low basement, the entrance being reached by two side marble steps. A rectangular coal openings is located to the right of the steps.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES 1849-50

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Jesse Sanks

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 836 William St.

The builder of this house was a ship's carpenter, in partnership with Israel Riggins, who built the house next door at 832 William St. Sanks lived in this house until his death in the early 1860's and then his widow continued to occupy the house through the 1860's. The firm of Sanks & Riggins, ship builders, was located at the foot of Cross St.¹

¹Baltimore City Directory, 1851, 1855-56, 1860, 1867-68

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles

DATE

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STREET & NUMBER

1745 Circle Rd.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ruxton

STATE

Maryland 21204

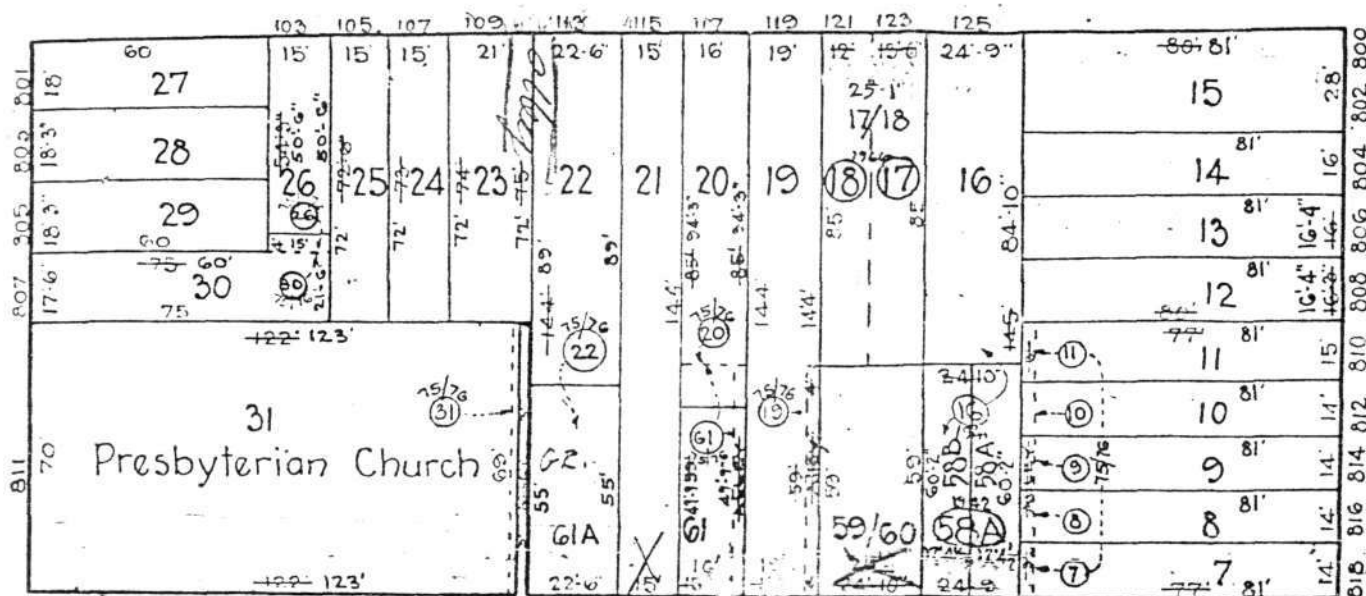
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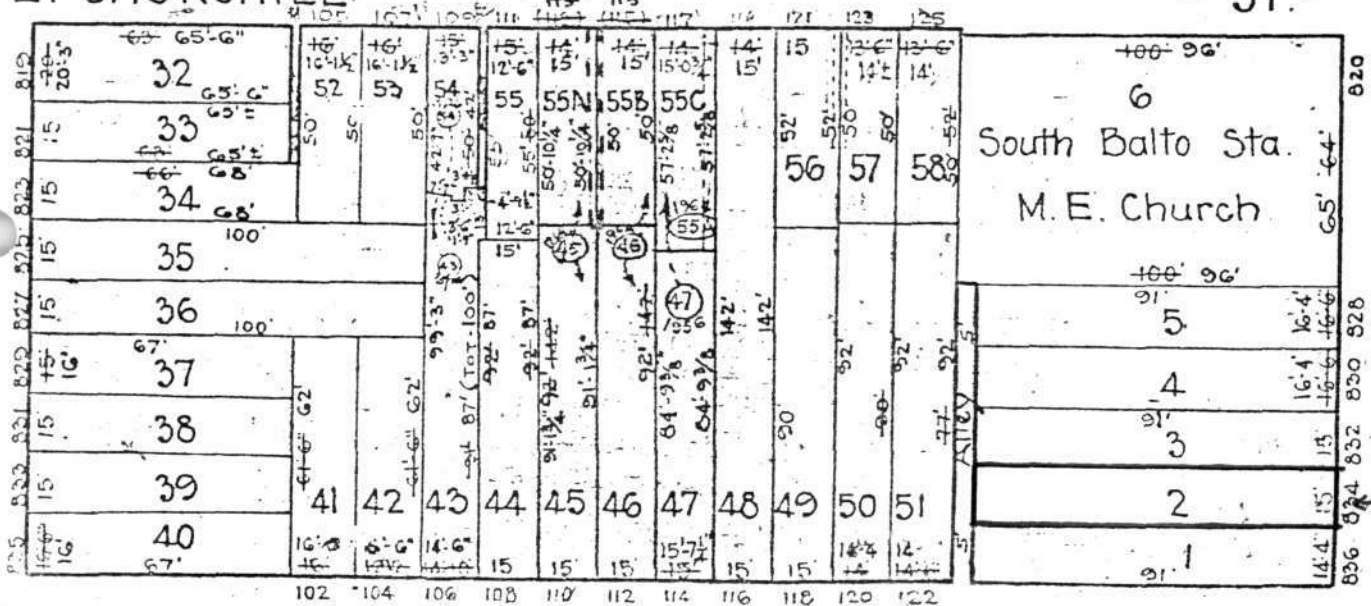
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ST.



E. CHURCHILL

ST.



WARREN

AVE.

WILLIAM

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Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad.





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834 William St.

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East elevation